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The Texas Spur

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SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, NOVEMBER 28, 1919.

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- In fact anything you need for a fine Holiday Present.

MAKE THE CITY DRUG STORE YOUR HEADQUARTERS & FEEL PERFECTLY AT HOME IN THE STORE

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HEADQUARTERS FOR HOLIDAY GOODS!!!

NEW NAMES BEING ADDED TO THE TEXAS SPUR LIST

We appreciate the manner in which people are coming in and placing their names on the Texas Spur subscription list. Among the number of names recently placed on the list, are the following:

Dr. J. B. Ramsey, Forrest; Arthur Woodburn, Portales, N. M.; Mrs. Emma Davis, Dickens; E. E. Kutch, Tres Piedras, N. M.; Ollie Spraberry, Jensen, Utah; Jack Stringer, Lubbock; Gulf Production Co., Brownwood; West Side Barber Shop; C. P. Medford, McAdoo; Lonnie Thomas, Abilene; R. S. Lambert, Princeton; Miss Fern Owen, Dallas; B. F. Davis, Miami, Okla.; L. T. Cochran, Paducah; W. M. Scott, Holister, Okla.; Miss Lila Garrett, Boaz, N. M.; Mrs. F. E. Morris, Dublin; J. F. Speck, Rochester; Ed Russell, Pauls Valley, Okla.; Benedum-Trees Oil Co., Pittsburgh, Pa; C. L. Hamilton, Anson; N. A. Baker, Gorman; Mrs. A. W. Smith, Hughes Springs; E. E. White, Fort Worth; B. J. Hagins, Lamesa; Bert Duncan, Cad do; Joe N. Duke, DeLeon; S. J. Owen, Abilene; Mrs. J. A. Crawford, Ashland, Miss.; W. R. Horn, Girard; G. D. Sikes, Spur; E. L. Smith, P. J. Green, J. E. Stegall, J. J. Lilly, H. H. Garrett, Mrs. J. J. Rogers, L. G. Wilhite, all of Spur; B. R. Hairgrove, Roy Gilmore and J. F. Bell, of Dickens; A. L. Pettigrew, Afton; J. M. Chumley, Phoenix, Arizona; Ike Newton, Duncan, Okla.; W. J. Lowing, Ft.

Worth; A. M. Hoover, Spur; Mrs. J. A. Caple, Dallas; W. M. Allen, Vineyard, Texas; J. J. Lilly, Spur; and J. J. Bolch, Jayton.

Last month more than one hundred new names were added to the list in one day.

JAYTON CITIZEN HERE TRADING & PROSPECTING TUESDAY

J. J. Bolch, a prosperous farmer of near Jayton, was in Spur Tuesday, buying furniture and other merchandise of Spur merchants. Mr. Bolch was also here looking at the surrounding country with a view of buying a farm home and becoming located in this section. This year Mr. Bolch is making about one hundred bales of cotton on his farm, stating that the cotton crop of his section would probably average half bale to the acre. Before leaving Spur he placed his name on the subscription list of the Texas Spur and will keep posted on the happenings here.

T. M. Maples returned this week from Peacock, Swenson and Jayton where he had been in the interest of the McFann Oil Company, selling leases on the 24 Ranch. Since the well is now showing up fine oil prospects the leases are selling rapidly. The fact is that the oil prospects are now so promising that the price of leases has doubled in some instances, especially on tracts near the east well.

TEXAS SPUR READERS ARE PAYING UP IN ADVANCE

Since announcing recently that the prevailing conditions would force us to get on a cash basis with our subscriptions, and requesting readers to help us to this end, we have had a good response. Among the many who have called in and had their subscription marked up to 1920 and 1921, are C. C. Halle, Afton; P. E. Hagins, Giffin; W. H. Young, Spur; J. J. Albin, Spur; Mike M. Young, Girard; J. V. McCormick, Afton; H. P. Minihan, Dallas; Jack Stringer, Lubbock; W. C. Messer, Espuela; W. A. Wilkenson, Riddle, N. M.; A. J. McClain, Cat Fish and J. A. Sargen, Hedley; J. Carlisle, Duck Creek; W. R. Stephens, Duck Creek; B. E. Morgan, Spur; W. D. Eldredge, McAdoo; R. C. James, Highway; T. S. Lambert, Tap; R. M. DuBoise, Steel Hill; N. A. Hinson, Route A; F. O. Taylor, Duck Creek; Chas. Whitener, Spur; F. M. Morris, Dickens; W. A. Valentine, Watson; S. W. Rather, Cat Fish; C. B. Blankenship; J. S. Worsham; M. A. Pace, Spur; R. P. Davis, Dry Lake; R. M. Hamby for himself and Mesdames McGinty and Vannoy; J. H. Jones; S. J. Ousley; G. W. Chancellor; Mrs. J. F. Goodwin; J. P. Wilkes, all of Spur. O. C. Arthur, W. C. Cantrell, S. L. Porter, of Dickens; E. D. Jackson, Dumont; J. E. Garland, Girard; J. H. Edwards, Dickens; J. M. Harkey, Whitsett; C. P. Allen, Spur; C. F. Cates, Ben Rutledge, J. M. Howze, all of Spur; C. M. Jackson, Dickens, H. S. Mitchell, Ranger; F. N. Oliver Spur; C. A. Gadish, A. G. Rush, Dickens; and H. E. Grabener, Spur.

We appreciate very much the way our good readers are responding. If your name is not marked up to 1920, please come in very soon and have it marked "1920." We do not want to cut a single name from the list, and from the way subscribers are now coming in, there will be very few, if any, who will let their names go on the dead list.

The newspaper business is more hard-pressed at this time than at any time during the war. The fact is that many papers are going to be forced to suspend publication. Paper is now higher than ever before and harder to get. The probability is that we will have to advance our subscription price to \$2.00 a year by January 1st, if the situation does not change for the better. These are things over which we have no control—the only thing left us is either to raise the necessary funds or quit business—and it takes lots of it, and we are not expecting our "oil well to come in" soon.

These indeed are perilous times, the whole country is unsettled, the people everywhere are restless—but we will all "get by" some way.

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THE SPUR TAILOR SHOP
IRA SULLIVAN, Prop.

LOOK, READ AND CONSIDER! "FOR SALE NOW!"

I have forty three acres of good land, well located, which is for sale. There is a house, an underground cistern, water, and other improvements on this place. All is well fenced and partly in cultivation. There is enough wood on the place to pay for putting the rest of the land in. The reason I want to sell this place is because I have no way of working it and already have other work to do. If you want a place that is well worth the price asked, come and see me within the next few days. Most any of the business men of Spur can tell you where to find me.—O. L. Smith.

Mrs. Kate Buchanan returned last week to her home near Dickens after an absence of several months spent in various parts of the country. Mrs. Buchanan and son, Royal, were in Corpus Christi during the recent flood and storm, making good their escape after many trials and tribulations. Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Ballard, of Dickens called in at the Texas Spur office Saturday afternoon. In listening to Mrs. Buchanan recount experiences of the storm days of Corpus Christi, one is made to feel more keenly the trials undergone by the real sufferers. The many friends of Mrs. Buchanan will be glad to know of her escape and safe return home.

Ginning Cotton Is Our Business

WE ARE NOW READY TO GIN AND WILL APPRECIATE A PART OF YOUR BUSINESS. WHEN YOU COME TO SPUR WITH COTTON, REMEMBER

Farmers Gin Co.,

SPUR, TEXAS

An Appeal to Farmers by Spur Gin Men

Listen Mr. Farmer, are you our friend
We, too, like you, are just men,
But your wet cotton we will not gin.
The laws of our country say its a sin.
Please don't force this on us again.
If you do, we must enter in,
And charge for the actual time it takes to gin.

NOW WE KNOW YOU ARE ALL MEN OF INTELLIGENCE REASON AND AN HONEST CONSCIENCE, WHO WISH TO DO THE RIGHT THING. ALSO TO CO-OPERATE WITH US IN EVERYTHING THAT IS FOR THE WELFARE OF EACH AND EVERY CITIZEN OF DICKENS COUNTY. ALSO WE KNOW THERE NEVER WAS A MORE LAW-ABIDING SET OF MEN THAN WE HAVE, SO IF THE LAW OF OUR COUNTRY SAYS IT IS NOT RIGHT TO DO THIS, LET US ALL CO-OPERATE AND DO OUR PART. KNOWING THAT ONE AND ALL WILL BE GLAD TO COME TO US IN CO-OPERATION, WE THANK YOU SINCERELY. YOURS VERY TRULY,

CITIZENS GIN & POWER CO.
SWENSON GIN, BIGHAM
J. W. BAKER
THE FARMERS GIN CO.

SINGER SEWING MACHINES!

For Sale at

SPUR HARDWARE & FURNITURE COMPANY
SPUR, TEXAS

MRS. PURSLEY AND OTHERS LET A DRILLING CONTRACT

Last week Mrs. Gertrude Pursley and other land holders near Jayton, leased their lands for a drilling contract for a test well for oil. The drilling, we understand is to be commenced within sixty days and to go thirty five hundred feet.

A number of surveys have been made in the past by geologists of that section of the country, all of whom made favorable reports.

There is not a doubt now but that this whole country will be given a thorough test for oil, whether or not it develops in paying quantities. We recently heard an oil expert state that oil probably existed in some quantity in practically every county in this part of the state, and that no doubt some where in this section a big paying pool of oil existed.

These "wildcaters" are to be highly commended for undertaking the development proposition for oil in this section, and among the number now drilling and contemplating drilling, we feel confident that this big oil pool will be uncovered.

WORK TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED ON 24 WELL FOR LACK OF OIL

The drilling crew on the 24 Ranch test well for oil came in this week, having been forced to suspend work for lack of oil fuel with which to operate. However, a car of oil is expected on the first local freight train, and work will again be resumed.

The 24 Ranch well has now reached a depth of thirteen hundred feet, and is looking most favorable for oil. They are now drilling in blue or black shale—the same character of formation in which oil is found in the oil belts. They are expecting this well to "blow in" most any day now.

DISTRICT COURT WILL CON- VENE MONDAY IN DICKENS

The District court will convene next Monday at Dickens. A number of cases are on the docket for trial. However, on account of the great need for men in the fields at this particular time, it may be possible that only very important cases will come up for hearing at this term.

BERMUDAS HAD HISTORY LIKE U.S.

But Revolution Failed to Gain for Them Their Independence.

PEOPLE HELPED WASHINGTON

Supplied Ammunition With Which Continental Army Forced British to Evacuate Boston—Islands Discovers Result of Shipwreck.

Washington, D. C.—The Bermuda islands suggest the adventures of Robinson Crusoe in their colonization and present in their later chronology a curious parallel to United States history, with the events consistently predated by a number of years.

With this statement the National Geographic society prefaces a bulletin on the Bermudas, a principal group of the British West Indies which some Englishmen suggest should be ceded to the United States in part payment of the American war loans to Great Britain.

The Robinson Crusoe comparison obtains because the islands were discovered and later settled as the direct result of shipwrecks, and the settlers had to build themselves a bark to set sail again, the bulletin continues.

As for the anticipation of American history on a miniature scale, it may be noted that the colonization took place seven years before the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth, Mass., that witches were burned, Quakers were persecuted and miscreants were ducked before similar occurrences are recorded in New England, and that slavery was abolished in 1834. The Bermudians protested long before 1776 against the mother country's rule, until the island prisons were over full, but relief came, in their case, not through a declaration of freedom but by the accession of Cromwell.

Helped to Start Revolution. But the essential point of contact of the American with the Bermudian arises from the all-but-forgotten fact that while the immortal Lafayette gallantly helped the colonies conduct their war of independence, the Bermudians supplied the ammunition to begin it.

So acute was the need for powder, in 1775 that George Washington wrote to the governor of Rhode Island that no quantity of powder, however small, is beneath notice. Learning that there was a store in Bermuda, and that the islanders were anxious to have the embargo lifted upon shipment of food supplies from the colonies, Washington addressed a letter to the people of the island, who had shown themselves sympathetic to the American Revolution, promising them ample supply of provisions in return for their stock of affection and friendship which the grateful citizens of a free country can bestow upon its brethren and benefactors if they would make this ammunition available for the Continental army.

It so happened that the powder had been procured before the letter was delivered, and with it the Continental army compelled the British to evacuate Boston.

A Winthrop Joined Tories.

Not only the sale of powder but the fact that Bermuda allowed the colonies to have salt, so incensed the governor of Bermuda that he upbraided the citizens for treason, and feeling ran so high that he was removed. His successor was a native of Salem, Mass., whose loyalty to the mother country was such that he gave up large estates in the colonies rather than join the revolutionists. He was connected with the Bermudians by a marriage with the daughter of a Bermudian, and his name was restored.

Brown was succeeded by Henry Hamilton, during whose administration the town of Hamilton was founded and named for him. This town today is the seat of the island government. It has a population of 1,500, and is the only town in the islands. The Bermudians are a very intelligent and progressive people, and their education is of a high order. They are a very industrious people, and their commerce is of a high order. They are a very loyal people, and their loyalty is of a high order. They are a very brave people, and their bravery is of a high order. They are a very patriotic people, and their patriotism is of a high order. They are a very patriotic people, and their patriotism is of a high order.

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named, and thus obtained the 'hog money,' coins stamped with a hog on one side and a ship on the other, which still are preserved in various collections.

The islands were settled through the efforts of Sir George Somers, who became impressed with their beauty and beauty during a sojourn enforced by the wrecking of the ship which was carrying him to Virginia.

WILL NOT CAPITALIZE FAME

Kentucky War Hero Has Refused "Movie" Offer of \$500 a Week.

Declining an offer of \$500 a week to enter the "movies," Sergt. William Sandlin, the Leslie county (Ky.) war hero, has begun his campaign against illiteracy.

He wears the Congressional medal of honor, the croix de guerre with palm leaf and the French medal militaire, and another medal from the French government for distinguished service while brigaded with the Montenegro troops.

Sandlin has planned a whirlwind tour of Southern Kentucky counties in an attempt to wipe out illiteracy.

ITALIANS IN A RUSH TO UNITED STATES.

An unusual rush of emigrants toward America is in progress. Two thousand Italians applied at Naples, Italy, for passports to the United States during the first fortnight of October.

TEN MILLION COMING

Europe Expects Greatest Exodus in History.

United States Warned to Take Steps to Guard Against Being Swamped.

London.—The greatest exodus in history is looked for as soon as Europe finds the necessary transportation facilities. Information gathered by the British government indicates 10,000,000 persons are eager to leave the continent. The situation is regarded as full of perils.

Britain, fully aware of all that this exodus will mean, will continue its immigration restrictions. A government official said:

"Britain cannot sustain any more than it has, and the emigrants will likely seek homes in the United States."

Officials here are inclined to warn the United States to take steps guarding against being swamped.

British officials hope some 2,000,000 Jews of eastern Europe, will go to Palestine, but no one has any idea of how to sustain the rest of the world's emigrants except by such aid as to make it possible for them to stay in their respective native countries.

Storage of food, lack of production and unsettled political and social conditions are expected to last for a long time all over Europe. Passenger ships are booked months ahead, but there are not enough vessels for carrying even the most important and immediate traffic.

TATOOED BY OWNER



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THROW OUT FISH AS PRICES SOAR

REFUSE TO SELL AT PRICE

Fisherman Explains That He Would Have to Pay Out Money if He Sold His Cargo at Figures Offered. New York Pays Fancy Price for Storage Fish While Fresh Fish Are Being Thrown Away.

If a dealer were to take a fish and throw it into South street, New York, and repeat the performance twenty or thirty times in a minute, and were to keep it up for fifteen or more minutes without even an attempt at rest, there would be something doing. The dealer would be held as a maniac. Thousands of freshly caught fish are thrown away at Block Island each season. To a New Yorker there is something horrifying about the performance. To the islander it is simply monotonous. Ever since he can remember he has seen fish thrown away. He expects to see them thrown away.

The fisherman always knows New York prices. If the figure given by the dealer is much lower than New York prices the fisherman will decide to ship his fish to New York. Sometimes he makes money by shipping to New York, but again he will lose by so doing. Fulton market prices have a way of rising and falling that is beyond the calculation of the wisest fisherman.

The schooner Susan tied up with a cargo in the main butterfish.

Refuses to Sell at Price. As the price for the Susan's cargo of butterfish was too low, the captain refused the dealer's offer and made a demand for barrels.

The sorting of the fish was done with almost incredible speed. The sorter held a short baton, on the end of which was a sharp, curved hook. He stuck this hook into everything but butterfish. He made only two motions. With one motion he jabbed a fish. With another motion he flung it into a far corner or overboard. The fish flung into a far corner were waiting, a boneless fish that makes good eating. The fish flung overboard were hake, and not bad eating either. The sorter made no mistakes, though he jabbed into a soft pile of fish, and his motions were swift as thought.

When a large part of the surface of the New harbor was covered with hake thrown overboard from the Susan an onlooker said to the captain: "Are not these hake good fish and good eating?" "They be," he answered.

"Then why throw them overboard?" he asked.

"Well," replied the captain, "what else is there to do with them? I'm offered 2 cents a pound for them. After I've paid for barrels and ice and packing and freight and commissions, what do you suppose I'd get?" "What would you get?" asked the inquisitive one.

"I'd get a bill and a request to remit at once."

Fish as a Fertilizer

"But fish," it was suggested, "is a fine fertilizer, and the farmers would be glad to have that fish."

"I don't doubt it," answered the captain, "but I'm a fisherman and I don't own a cart, and I wouldn't be allowed to leave this fish on the dock."

"What will become of these fish?" I asked.

"Most of them will sink," said the captain, "and the rest will be cast ashore."

"What will you do with the whiting?" "Not sure," I said, "the captain. I can get any kind of a price, a price that will pay expenses. I'll sell, if not overboard they go."

New York is about one hundred and twenty miles from Block Island. A fast boat will cover the distance in daylight. A slow whaler will make the trip in less than twenty-one hours. In New York people are paying all sorts of prices for storage fish. They are throwing away freshly caught fish in Block Island. There is certainly something out of gear in the fish business.

SHERIFF'S SALE

The State of Texas, County of Dickens, Sheriff's Office. Notice of an execution, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Jones County, on the 6th day of November, A. D. 1919, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of Louise Snodgrass versus Stamford Gas & Electric Company et al, No. 4037, and to me as Sheriff directed and delivered, I did on the 7th day of November, 1919, at 5:45 o'clock p. m. levy upon and I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in

January, A. D. 1920, being the 6th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Dickens County, in the town of Dickens, the following described property, to-wit:

Situated in Dickens County, Texas, and being all of the undivided interest of the said defendant, Geo. E. White, in and to all of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 25 and 26 in Block No. 5, of the town of Spur, as shown by the original plat of said town now of record in the office of the County Clerk of said Dickens County, Texas, and being the same property conveyed to J. E. Johnson and G. E. White by The Stamford & Northwestern Townsite Company by deed of date the 16th day of November, A. D. 1910, together with the Electric Light Plant, Gin, Mill, Buildings, Engines, Boilers, Gin Stands, Machinery, Scales, Fixtures, and together with all and singular the rights and appurtenances unto said above described premises belonging and all electric lines, poles, transformers, meters in service, easements, rights of way and all other rights, property, improvements and fixtures, composing the Gin, Mill and Electric Light Plant in the town of Spur, Dickens County, Texas, situated on said above described premises and used in any manner with said Gin Plant, Mill Plant and Electric Light Plant whether situated on said premises or elsewhere in said town of Spur, and all of the above property whether real, personal or mixed, and all of the interest of Geo. E. White in and to Three cars of cotton seed; Five Hundred and Eighty patterns of baggings and ties; two-thirds barrel cylinder oil; two-thirds barrel engine oil with the barrels and containers; twenty-seven tons of coal; all office furniture and fixtures; all electric merchandise and supplies; all tools; wrenches; belts and belt lacing equipment; seed forks; scoops; firing tools; slice bars; clinker hook; fire extinguisher and buckets; fire hose; and all books, open accounts and bills receivable and to include all the personal property, choses in action, supplies, fuel, furnishings and equipments situated on the above described premises or in any manner used in connection with said Gin Plant Light Plant and Mill Plant and either or all of them whether situated on said above described premises or not, levied on as the property of Geo. E. White as a partner with J. E. Johnson and as the property of said Geo. E. White jointly with the said J. E. Johnson and individually to satisfy a judgment in favor of J. E. Johnson on his cross-action in said suit against the said Geo. E. White, on the 14th day of February, 1919, amounting to Four Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-eight & No-100 (\$4,628.00) Dollars, with six per cent interest per annum thereon from said date, and in addition thereto for all such sums of money as the said J. E. Johnson may be required to pay on judgment of plaintiff, Louise Snodgrass, against the said J. E. Johnson and Geo. E. White as partners and jointly and severally for the sum of Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Six & 02-100 (\$12,986.02) Dollars with interest from said date at the rate of ten per cent per annum, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 7th day of November, A. D. 1919.

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Levied on as the property of J. E. Johnson and Geo. E. White as partners and jointly and severally to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$12,986.02 with ten per cent interest per annum thereon from date of judgment rendered on February 14th, 1919, in favor of plaintiff, Louise Snodgrass, against J. E. Johnson and Geo. E. White as partners and jointly and severally and costs of suit.

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G. L. BARBER, Sheriff of Dickens County, Texas.

Advertisement for Brazelton Lumber Company. Features an illustration of a lumber truck with a large stack of lumber. Text includes: 'MAKE THE CITY STORE YOUR HEADQUARTERS', 'for that lumber you contemplate buying will be reasonably sized one if you purchase of us. Ask the contractors and home builders in this community about the quality of our lumber and the methods of our service.', 'BRAZELTON LUMBER COMPANY', 'LUMBER', 'CHINGLES, WINDOWS, DOORS', 'BRICK, LIME, CEMENT, PAINTS, COAL', 'POSTS', 'P. H. MILLER'.

Advertisement for P. H. Miller. Features an illustration of a man in a suit, likely P. H. Miller himself. Text includes: 'P. H. MILLER', 'Lumber', 'CHINGLES, WINDOWS, DOORS', 'BRICK, LIME, CEMENT, PAINTS, COAL', 'POSTS', 'P. H. MILLER'.

AS WAR MEMENTO

Public Square of Arras Is to Be Preserved.

Just as War Left It, It Will Serve to Remind the World That Here the Marauding Huns Were Checked.

In the Little Place of Arras, where once stood the Hotel de Ville, with its belfry and its peal of bells, led by Loyeuse, is today a notice board in English. It says that this place is to be preserved in its ruin as war has left it.

Other places will be rebuilt again, and will forget, but this Little Place will remain empty, and one day Arras will be more proud of that emptiness and of those few broken stones than are other towns of the most beautiful things that they possess.

For so Arras will remain always, as it is today one of the rocks visible on which the great waters of invasion broke and surged and broke again, but could flow no farther. There they were held. There, in the center of Arras, you come suddenly today, on the dark line of their highest rise.

Elsewhere, across the open country, you come more gradually in the land of war, by roads where troops move, by fields where are lines and lines of brown and white trenches, ready but never used, by empty villages, with here and there a house broken; and so at last into the great No Man's land of France, uninhabited, uninhabitable, where armies fought and fought again, until all is destroyed and men live a gypsy life by the roadside. But in Arras you turn a corner of one of the little streets and it is as if a window had opened suddenly and you looked out on war.

For three years one could only enter Arras from the west, by the road from Doullens through the Amiens gate or by the road from St. Pol past Dead Man's corner, where nightly the reliefs, coming up, were shelled. Beside both these roads the trees stand, and the fields are filled and there are woods across the hills. You enter Arras today through a country unchanged by war. The change is not yet.

It is a silent town. Its houses stand, though scarcely one is quite whole. Their shutters are closed, their broken faces boarded up. The town is like a man that sleeps after long suffering.

So you pass through cobbled streets, very gray, clean, silent streets, between those exhausted houses, going down the Rue St. Albert and by the white hospital with its green vine leaves. Then you turn up other little streets, with their narrow sky above them and come very suddenly, on an open lane with banks on either side, where nettles and coltsfoot and loosestrife grow. But this that looks like a country lane is cobbled, and its banks are heaps of brick.

It is as you enter this lane that you are conscious of something more unexpected and more awful than the ruined and broken things of an enormous emptiness in the middle of that town of tall houses and narrow streets.

When the years have passed and all the country to the east of Arras has long been made whole; when the trees grow again beside the Cambrai and the Bapaume roads and there are cottages once more in Beaurains and Remy and Vis-en-Artois, there will still be that sudden emptiness beneath the sky among the narrow streets of Arras.

Standing there, men will remember that once one could come into Arras only from the west. They will think of it then as one of those towns, now far inland and surrounded by quick fields, which, once water on the seashore, they will look at that gray ruin of the town hill as at the ruins of a great rock where once the storms beat.

Deputy Sheriff W. T. Beasley was killed and two unidentified bank robbers were mortally wounded at Red Fork, three miles from Tulsa, Okla., when they attempted to rob the Red Fork state bank.

There will be no strike of miners on Nov. 1 because a satisfactory agreement will be negotiated by the United Mine Workers of America with the mine operators, says John L. Lewis, acting president of the organization.

Bubonic Plague in New Orleans. New Orleans, La.—Four cases of bubonic plague, two of which resulted in deaths, were reported last week in New Orleans, according to an announcement by Oscar Dowling, president of the Louisiana board of health.

Thanksgiving Day 1919...

HISTORY TELLS US THAT THE PILGRIM FATHES IN THE NEW WORLD—GRATEFUL FOR A GOLDEN HARVEST—GATHERED TOGETHER FOR A FEAST OF REJOICING.

AND THEY CALLED IT "THANKSGIVING DAY." AND YEAR BY YEAR THIS ALL-AMERICAN CUSTOM OF GIVING THANKS HAS GROWN INTO THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF OUR PEOPLE. NO OTHER HOLIDAY IN ANY SEASON IS SO TYPICALLY AMERICAN AS OUR THANKSGIVING DAY. OF ALL THE WORLD'S FESTIVE OCCASIONS THIS DAY ALONE IS CONSECATED PURELY TO OUR NATION—TO THE FIRESIDES OF AMERICA.

WE ARE COMING TO THE CLOSE OF A YEAR FILLED WITH MANY BLESSINGS. HAVE WE NOT JUST CAUSE FOR GRATITUDE WHEN THE BENEFICENT AUTHOR OF ALL GOOD HAS SEEN FIT TO SHOWER UPON OUR NATION SUCH BLESSINGS AS THIS YEAR HAS BROUGHT. THE SEASON TAKES A NEW MEANING—SWEETER, FULLER THAN EVER BEFORE—FILLING US WITH A GLOW OF GRATITUDE SUCH AS NO OTHER THANKSGIVING HAS EVER DONE.

WE ARE THANKFUL FOR TWELVE MONTHS OF PEACE AND CONTENTMENT; FOR A HARVEST UNSURPASSED IN OUR COUNTRY; FOR THE TRIUMPHANT RETURN OF OUR GALLANT ARMY; FOR THE BRAIN AND BRAWN AND SINEW OF AMERICAN MANHOOD DEDICATED TO THE WORK OF RECONSTRUCTION.

AND THIS BANK IS THANKFUL, TOO, FOR THE CONFIDENCE, THE FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION OF THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THIS COMMUNITY. MAY THE GOOD THINGS THAT THE YEAR HAS BROUGHT TO EACH AND EVERY ONE FILL US WITH A NEW DETERMINATION TO WORK AND TO STRIVE WITH A FRESHNESS OF SPIRIT AND HEARTS FILLED WITH THE DESIRE TO SERVE FOR THE GOOD OF OUR PEOPLE, OUR TOWN, OUR COMMUNITY.

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SHOWED SPIRIT OF AMERICA

Connecticut Youth Good Example of the Men That Made Victory Over the Hun Certain.

What was the spirit, French, British, Italian, American, that made possible the day of the signing of peace? Well, as for the American spirit, a story, which Gen. Clarence Edwards told me at St. Mihiel, has the meaning as I felt it, writes Lucian Swift Kirtland in Leslie's. He was visiting the hospital, just as he was leaving a nurse ran after him. "A Connecticut boy," she said, "has heard you are here. He has begged me to ask you to see him. He's dying, but he doesn't know it. He says he has a great favor to ask." Just then the chaplain came and had the same request. They hurried back, the chaplain leading. The boy looked up and saw the chaplain.

"My God! Chaplain," he called out, "what are you looking so darn glad about? Just 'cause you think I'm going to die and you don't know how to tell me about it? He—what did I come over here for? Didn't I come over here to die if that had to be the chance? Haven't I had my big chance? Have I failed? What the hell are you worrying about?" Just then he saw the general. "Oh, General," he said, "excuse me for bothering you, but I'm dying. I know it. I don't want to ask for favors, but the Connecticut band is here, and I thought I'd ask you if you'd have them come and play just once outside here. I want to hear the 'Connecticut State March' just once more."

In a minute the band was there and it was playing the strains of the march. The lad lifted himself up, a smile of satisfaction on his face. His arm beat the time of the band. He pretended to be leaning the band. At the last note he dropped back to his pillow—dead.

OLD HOUSE TO BE MUSEUM

Movement for Preservation of Structures Identified With Early Days of Southern California.

A movement is on at Riverside, Cal., for the preservation of a number of the old landmarks of the vicinity, buildings that are intimately connected with the early-day period of southern California. The plan is being fostered by a chapter of the Pioneer Society.

The project is not to be undertaken until the restoration of the old Rubidoux home, an adobe structure which was built by Indian labor three-quarters of a century ago. The Rubidoux family was one of the most prominent of the early Spanish residents, and the home was a social center for the interior section. Many of the notable events of history of the period just previous to the forty-niners are more or less intimately connected with this old building, which in recent years has been abandoned and has begun to crumble away.

After the work of restoration is completed, the building will serve as a nucleus for a pioneer museum, the housing of many relics of the early days.

Mediterranean Air Base.

A far-reaching program of aviation in the French colonial possessions in Africa has been drawn up by the commission on aerial transports at Tunis, Algeria, which recommends that a great aerial transport center be established, with Tunis as its base, in order to centralize aerial traffic over the Mediterranean sea. Inasmuch as Tunis occupies an advantageous position at the junction of French and international colonial possessions, a regular aerial service, it is urged, between Tunis and outlying districts would benefit the French protectorate. Already a line of airplanes is in operation between Gabes, an Algerian seaport, and the frontier of Tripoli, and this, in the expectation of colonial officials, will be extended to Tunis. So the "unchanging East" is fast becoming a by-word only of times past.

Flax in the War.

With restoration of the industry on a peace-time basis, cotton once again goes ahead of linen in the world's favor. The exigencies of the recent conflict raised flax to the position as leader among fabrics, a rank which it had held for centuries but lost almost simultaneously with the advent of the cotton gin.

With realization of the importance of cotton in the making of munitions, there came a speedy reversion to linen for the more commonplace usages—mats, coats, sails for ships, cover wings for airplanes having lately consisted of linen. But flax has reached the end of its days of monopoly. King Cotton now rises to the fore in ordinary use, and linen once again becomes the fabric of choice for the more refined uses.

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INTERESTING CLUB STORIES.

The Dickens County Pig Club children are required to keep a complete record of their year's work, also to write a story in regard to same. The following is one of the many interesting stories turned in with the record books:

Jack was born Feb. 4th, 1919, at my papa's farm. I bought him from my papa for \$16.00, borrowed from the bank. I have had a green cane patch for my pig all of its life. I have loved and petted my pig. My pig is a Poland China because I believe it is the best breed. I believe green feed or pasture is necessary for a pig as it grows. My pig drank a great deal of clear water. I weighed my pig with a rope around its flanks and between its front legs. I fed my pig mostly dry corn on the ground and mostly at night. I think more breed hogs are much better for the simple reason that any kind of stock are degraded by careless breeding. I am to be a pig club boy until I grow to be a hog man. I have learned the kind of a pig to select for different purposes. The boy that stays with his work and don't give up to a little bit of hard luck is the kind of a boy it takes to make a good pig club member. I carried my pig to the fair at Spur in a downpour of rain and watched after it and took care of it the whole three days. It took 1st prize \$25.00. I weighed my pig the evening of Sep. 27, 1919, he weighed 287 lbs. and was 204 days old. I sold him to my papa at Fort Worth prices. He is going to keep and kill him for family use. If I stay in Dickens county or any county where there is a pig club I want to have a herd in the contest next year so I will have a chance at more than one premium. This was my second year in the club. Last year my pig died and I never got in the show. I'll tell you one thing, I sure believe boys had better spend a little time learning their pigs to drive where they are to be shown, as they are so apt to get hot and die if you run them around. My pig drives good by the front legs. Another thing I think a hog needs lots of mud and water to wallow in during the hot days of summer, and I think it is much better if it is mud, as concrete wallow is hard on their feet and mud is soft; and in case of fleas or lice, the mud will put them out of commission; and as for feeding pigs I think a wheat short and cotton seed meal slop is fine for young pigs, but to finish on I think corn is a world beater and also green feed with the corn.

Well, I'll close my story and turn it in. Here is hoping to go to the fair. CURTIS J. JENKINS.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

The State of Texas, County of Dickens, To those indebted to, or holding claims against the estate of Joseph Brannen and Mary E. Brannen, deceased. The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Joseph Brannen and Mary E. Brannen, deceased, late of Dickens county, Texas, by Walter L. Powell, Judge of the County Court of said county, on the 23rd day of October, A. D. 1919, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and all those having claims against said estate to present them to him at his residence at McAadoo, Dickens county, Texas, where he receives his mail, this 14th day of November A. D. 1919. J. E. BRANNEN, Administrator of the Estate of Joseph Brannen and Mary E. Brannen, deceased. Mrs. B. G. Worswick and daughter, of Dickens, were visitors in Spur Sunday.

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Our Annual Thanksgiving Day

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FOR A HARVEST UNSURPASSED IN OUR HISTORY.

FOR THE GOOD HEALTH IN OUR COUNTRY;

AND THIS STORE, TOO, IS THANKFUL FOR THE VERY LIBERAL PATRONAGE THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THIS COMMUNITY HAVE GIVEN US SINCE WE HAVE BEEN IN YOUR MIDST.

AND WHILE THIS IS AN ERA OF PROSPERITY, IT BEHOVES US TO LAY UP SOMETHING FOR A RAINY DAY, AND ONE OF THE BEST WAYS TO SAVE IS TO BUY WHERE YOUR MONEY WILL GO THE FARTHEREST.

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DEMOCRATIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Texas Spur is authorized to announce the following candidates for office, subject to the Democratic Primaries to be held in July, 1920:

For District and County Clerk:
O. C. ARTHUR
S. L. DAVIS

The rainy weather this week has retarded the cotton picking progress. The gins will now probably catch up with the procession.

The Rural Free Mail delivery routes out of Spur are again in operation, Mr. Echols, of Lueders, having taken charge as carrier in the place of H. A. C. Brummett who recently resigned.

Every individual should give at least a few minutes thought to the problem of "reducing the high cost of living." Every one can do something to overcome the situation. For instance we are now doing our own shaving to help reduce expenses and meet daily conditions with limited funds.

James Callan, a big cowman of Menard county, and formerly president of the Cattle Raisers Association, last week admitted killing a young man, Billings, 23 years of age. It is said that the young man was shot because he left one of Callan's pasture gates open. The young man was unarmed and was shot from his horse. Callan was given bond in the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

As a result of silver bullion advancing in price 40 per cent above the value of the coinage in France, it is said that Paris is experiencing a "changeless" era—the coins having been melted and sold for bullion. To relieve the situation, merchants and business men are using cardboard slips "good for ten, fifteen centimes" in making change in sales. It is being considered to make such slips of tin or some more durable substance than cardboard. When a financial system reverts to "cardboard" money, the situation must be very serious. Financial manipulations may encourage prosperity for a time, but the "bubble" will burst and conditions will become more serious.

Both the Republicans and Democrats, by playing politics, have voted the United States out of the League of Nations, by a vote of 38 to 53. Whether or not the proposed constitution and by-laws of the league are acceptable to us, we are not in a position to say, but we do know that there should be an organization effected and placed in a position to deal effectively and finally with world matters and especially with any differences that may hereafter arise between all nations of the world. We have courts in every nation to handle internal situations and there should be a "world court" to handle situations arising throughout the world. This, we understand, is what is contemplated in the proposed League of Nations, and should its "constitution and by-laws" lead to this end, the organization should be perfected and its objects set in motion.

B. G. Worswick came over Tuesday from Dickens and spent the day here on business and greeting friends. Judge Worswick has been a leading factor in the development of Dickens county. He came here before the organization of the county, helping in its organization and has been identified with its affairs since. Judge Worswick's name will live in the records of Dickens county long after he has gone to his reward in the unknown Beyond.

While in town the first of the week Judge A. J. McClain remembered and renewed his charter membership of the Texas Spur list of readers by boosting up the dating to 1920. Judge McClain was one of the first if not the very first name placed on the subscription list of the Texas Spur in 1909, and for the ten years has been a constant reader and prompt payer of this sheet.

Hallett Holly and Miss Scott, of the Afton community, were married Sunday and are now receiving the congratulations of their many friends. We wish them happiness and prosperity.

WANTED—Boy or girl to work mornings and evenings after school. —New Western Hotel. 3-2t

L. A. Hindman and sons, Jack and Dial, were in town the first of the week from their farm and ranch home west of Spur. Recently Luther contracted to sell his place, the purchaser putting up a thousand dollar forfeit until the 24th of this month. However, up to that time he had not heard from his party. At any rate he is assured of having some Christmas money to spend.

T. B. Sullenberger was here this week from his place near Steel Hill. He is spending the fall here looking after his farming interests. He occasionally drops in and pulls us out of a "hole" but we can't prevail on him to stay with us—forty cent cotton has more attractions than a print shop.

Watch
JOE
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AND
Fruits
SOON OPEN

C. L. Love left this week for the Dallas, Saint Louis and other markets to replenish his stock. Merchants tell us that the problem is in keeping up their stocks, making sales faster than they can be shipped in under the prevailing conditions.

Jack Stringer and wife, who have been spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Randleman, left this week for Lubbock where he has a position in a restaurant. Mr. Stringer recently sold out his restaurant business in Ralls.

A bunch of negroes arrived Monday from the eastern part of the state to help pick out the big crops of cotton here. We understand that these negroes were sent in by John Weathers who has a big crop made himself and has bought several other crops.

H. C. Eldredge and Willie Eldredge were in Spur Tuesday from McAadoo, reporting that cotton picking was progressing satisfactorily in that section. With clear days now the crops will soon be out.

T. M. Maples sold leases on the 24 Ranch last week to Judge Vardiman, R. I. Goodall, H. W. Johns, T. F. Hunter, Ed Taylor and Bert Jay, all of Claremont.

HAVE YOUR GLASSES PROPERLY FITTED



In order that your glasses may be properly fitted and render maximum service, it is important that the work be executed by one who is expert in adjusting. In this connection the style of your glasses should be given due consideration. We have a large stock of frames and mountings from which to select. Those that are the most becoming and best suited to your features and defective sight should be had. Defective sight is one of the greatest drawbacks to the health and development of children, and many times is responsible for the backwardness in school. Perhaps your youngster's vision is faulty. It won't require much effort on your part to find out, and you will certainly be better satisfied to know.

Call at the Red Front Drug Store. DR. J. H. CLELAND
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NOTICE TO CREAM PRODUCERS!
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WANTED—At once, wagons and teams to haul cotton from Afton to Roaring Springs, for \$1.50 per bale. Also plenty maize to haul.—Hale Hardware & Grocery Co. 49 tf

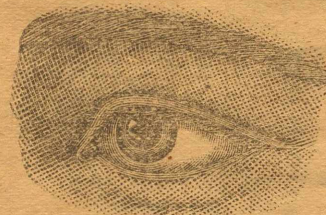
COWS STRAYED or Stolen—Yellow cow, left horn off, and two heifers branded F W on right hip. \$5.00 reward.—S. H. Walker, Spur. 4tt

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MAY BE TRUTH IN LEGEND

Investigation of "Enchanted Table" in New Mexico Seems to Bear Out Story Long Believed.

An isolated butte rising out of a vast plain in the vast Southwest—a flat-topped hill 430 feet high and with sides so nearly vertical that for many centuries it was supposed to be hopelessly climb-proof, is one of the most interesting of the natural wonders of this part of the United States.

Many attempts to climb the "Enchanted Table" or "Mesa Encantada," as the first Spanish settlers called it, have been made, but Indian superstition has attributed their failure largely to a supernatural influence that balked the ascent. Hence the name "Enchanted."

According to the Indian legend, the mesa, which is three miles northeast of the well-known Acoma pueblo, in New Mexico, was very anciently the site of a prehistoric village. A frightful storm carried away part of the rock and with it the rocky staircase which offered the only path of access to the summit.

As a result, the people in the village were cut off from the plain below. They could not climb down; no help could reach them, and they starved to death. The only survivors were a few who by chance were absent from the mesa top at the time of the disaster. From them, it is explained, are sprung the present-day inhabitants of the pueblo of Acoma.

But science, while disposed to be incredulous of things unproved, is at the same time inclined to investigation. Hence an expedition which the government bureau of ethnology sent out to climb the Mesa Encantada. The party, after almost incredible efforts, arrived upon the top.

What they expected to find was—nothing. But, to their surprise, they discovered, on the summit of the mesa, plain and unmistakable evidences of ancient occupancy, such as ruined walls, and what they saw there afforded a measurable confirmation of the Indian legend.

Tasks for Disabled Fighters.

An outline of the efforts of the bureau of employment of the Pennsylvania department of labor and industry to find suitable industrial tasks in Pennsylvania for disabled soldiers and sailors is given in a bulletin just issued by the department. This bulletin, which may be obtained upon application to the department of labor and industry, at Harrisburg, analyzes by task and locality, the 50,000 employment opportunities offered by 900 employers in 60 counties, number of plants, kinds of firms and numbers of openings in each class of employment. One series of tables shows at what tasks several hundreds of disabled men are now employed by the Philadelphia and Reading Railway company. Another chapter on "Placement of Disabled Soldiers and Sailors in Employment" gives a general review of the placement subject, outlining conditions that may be expected and methods to be employed in locating each disabled soldier and sailor at a specified task in Pennsylvania plants. —Scientific American.

Turned From Friend.

The revolving floor in one of the dancing cabarets mystified two young lieutenants just back from France and evidently strangers in New York. They were ushered to a table on the revolving floor. Shortly afterward one of the soldiers went to the telephone booth; emerging about ten minutes later, he looked around in dazed fashion, and made several starts for the spot where he had apparently left his companion, but couldn't seem to find him. "Say, there," he huskily remarked to the head waiter. "Lend me one of your boy scouts to help me find my chow table, will you?" "What's the trouble?" inquired the headwaiter solicitously. "I left my friend at a table over yonder by the post," answered the bewildered soldier, "and now he's disappeared." As there were a number of men in uniform present, the head waiter suggested that the friend be paged. "That's the idea," eagerly responded the soldier. "His name's Kennedy." And in a short time the messmates were reunited. Then the existence of the revolving floor was briefly explained to them. —New York Sun.

Yep, It Takes Practice.

For the forty-fifth time in 12 months she stood at the bridal altar and repeated the solemn words that linked her soul forever with that of the handsome man by her side. As the minister held up his hand signaling for the slow traffic to come forward and kiss the bride, the handsome man leaned over to press the first kiss on her ruby rouged lips.

As he did so, his foot caught in her train and threw him off the track. "Whattell, ya big boob," came an encouraging voice from a megaphone on the slide lines as the purring of the camera ceased. "Now we'll have to make that again. You've spooled 500 feet of perfectly good film."

ESPUELA ITEMS.

Brother Anderson filled his regular appointment here Sunday. A very large crowd attended.

Another wedding! Miss Grace Mc Bride was married to Mr. Sim Stevens Saturday, November 15th. We extend our heartiest congratulations.

Messrs. A. M. Miller and Luther Karr left Sunday afternoon to go to Brownsfield and Tahoka to buy land.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Karr were the guests of Mrs. Hobson Sunday night. Miss Zora Holloway and Willie Emert were the supper guests of Miss Zora Miller Sunday.

Misses Evla Shockley, Stella Holloway and Lucile Miller were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holloway Sunday.

Carl Tree, of Highway, attended church here Sunday.

Mrs. Selmon returned home Saturday from Crosbyton.

Oscar Mapes attended church here Sunday night.

Garvin Boothe and Earlon Boltz were the afternoon guests of Johnnie Carleton and Miss Beula Billberry Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Thompson are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Miller this week.

Rance Thomas and family went to Spur Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Holloway spent Sunday with their son, Charlie Holloway.

Miss Myrna Keene spent Sunday night with Miss Lucile Miller.

Mr. Peacock attended church here Sunday.

Miss Lucile Stayton ate dinner with Miss Ona Shockley Sunday.

Homer McBride and Miss Beal Karr attended church Sunday.

This is cold and rainy weather and we are very cold, so must go and warm.—Espuela Twins.

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SUNDAY
Presbyterian Church

MILK COWS FOR SALE.

I will have a car load of pure bred Holstein cows in Spur about December 15th. Interested parties see Mr. M. H. Lee at Spur National Bank and leave name and he will notify you just what day cows will arrive.

Yours for better cattle,
2-3t CHAS. WHITENER.

W. H. Putman returned last week from Fort Worth where he marketed two car loads of his cattle. He left here with them Tuesday, arriving in Fort Worth Friday, but notwithstanding this long time on the road, he topped to market with his sales.

We made a mistake last week in advertising for a strayed pig for L. G. Wilhite. It is a red pig, weighing about forty pounds, which has been lost, instead of a black pig as advertised. Do you know where the red pig is?

L. S. Wilson returned through the city recently from Plainview, going to Eastland where he and wife will make their home in the future. He was making the trip through in a car. We hope he strikes oil.

Rev. J. O. Haynes returned from the Methodist Conference which was held at Lubbock. The Spur people will be glad to know that he was returned to this place as pastor of the Methodist church for another year.

J. I. Greer came in again Wednesday, but stated specifically that he was not here for the purpose of ginning cotton. He stated that he would probably later again go out into New Mexico to "look for a home."

Mrs. Weiser and daughters, Misses Annie and Nettie, returned Friday to their home in Dublin after a visit of a week or two to Prof. and Mrs. T. A. Tunnell.

Satisfactory service and clean, new groceries at the right price is what we offer you. Try us.—Soldiers Cash Grocery, Spur Hardware Co. bldg.

C. H. Scott, of Duck Creek, was in Spur Sunday. While here he broke down his Ford, taking on the necessary repairs to overcome the troubles.

Grundt Crego was among the big crowds in own Saturday. He reports everything coming along nicely on Croton.

WOOD FOR SALE.

Cord wood at \$3.00 per cord on my place 10 miles southwest of Spur.—J. B. Morrison. tf

Chas. Whitener left last week for Haskell county where he has concrete work to do on the roads building in that county.

FOR SALE—Windmill and cypress tank. See Mrs. R. R. Johns. 51-4tp

Carpenters Wanted by J. E. Sanders, contractor. 3tf

J. F. Speer was in town Monday from Dickens.

ONE AMERICAN ENDS RHINE AREA REVOLT

Ex-German Soldiers Forced by Officer to Take Down Red Flag, Dig Up Pole.

Single-handed, an American intelligence officer recently put down a "revolutionary" movement in the area on the Rhine occupied by United States troops.

The first the Americans knew of the "revolt" was when news reached army headquarters that in Luetz, a village of 200 population, a red flag had been hoisted and was waving in the breeze at the tip of a 70-foot pole.

When the American officer arrived in Luetz the "revolution," conceived by a society calling itself "Frohsinn" (Hilarity) and composed of young men most of whom were discharged German soldiers, was well under way and none of the inhabitants could enter or leave the village without proper passport provided by the society members.

Luetz, like many German villages in the hills, has no troops in the town, the army depending upon an occasional patrol to keep in touch with events.

The American summoned the gemeindevorsteher, or the chief official of the town, who informed the officer that this was the third attempt of the "Frohsinnists" to rule the village and that the action was directed against the Catholic priest, for whom the young men had a pronounced dislike.

The American officer summoned the executive council of the society, provided them with pick and shovel, and had them dig up the flag pole, amid the applause of the conservative element of the village.

He instructed the burgomaster to withhold until further notice any authorization for meetings of the "Hilarity," gave the executive council a dressing down and instructed the one German policeman to patrol Luetz at all hours on Sundays, when most political meetings are held.

Each member of the "executive council" promised to be good hereafter and none of the society members were arrested. They agreed that the American had convinced them that "revolution" did not pay. The revolution had lasted six hours.

AGED PREACHER SWIMS

After Being in the Water Three Hours, Said He Was Fresh.

The Rev. Dr. E. M. Mills, 73 years old and secretary of the General Methodist Episcopal Conference of the World, gave his friends a surprise by taking a seven-mile swim in the Seneca river.

Taking to the water at 4 p. m. near Belgium, N. Y., Dr. Mills swam to Phoenix, leaving the water at 7 o'clock. Wading out of the river, he declared that he was as fresh and vigorous as before the start, and expressed regret that an appointment at 8 o'clock kept him from trying to swim farther.

Last summer Dr. Mills swam the length of Cazenovia lake in four hours. Old residents of that section declare it is the only time that such a feat has been accomplished, although several swimmers have attempted it.

Dr. Mills has traveled extensively and takes pride in a record of having swam in the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian oceans, as well as a large number of the European and Asiatic lakes and rivers.

STRAYED---40 or 50 pound Red pig. Notify L. G. Wilhite at Hale Grocery.

Wood Williams returned from Jones county the first of the week where he had been called on account of the death of his brother.

W. D. Thacker, of Draper, was on the streets Tuesday. He was leaving for some point down the road, from all appearances.

LOST—Crank to Overland 6 Car. Return to Texas Spur office for reward.—S. R. Bowman. 3-2tp

W. E. Duke, of the Watson community, was among the number in the city during the week.

A big, fine boy baby was born Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barrett.

W. M. Randall, of Steel Hill, was a business visitor in town Tuesday.

W. W. Garner was in town Wednesday from his farm on Cat Fish.

Nonnie Rodgers, of Garza county, was in Spur Tuesday.

J. W. Smith, of north of Spur, was in town Wednesday.

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PLAN TO RECLAIM DISABLED YANKS

Federal Board Estimates That 50,000 Will Have to Be Fitted for Vocations

7,356 ALREADY IN TRAINING

Government Works on Four Year Program, but Funds Are Needed to Complete Plans—Board Reviews 1,000 Cases a Day

Washington.—Working to overcome the handicaps of men injured in the war the federal government is striving to place the vocationally disabled soldier back in the economic ranks of the country, able to compete with other "whole" men and to earn an independent income for himself. According to information just made public by the federal board for vocational education it is likely that as many as 50,000 men who served in the war will have to be re-educated, either vocationally or occupationally.

Under this plan the federal board is now working on what is practically a four-year program, although appropriations so far have been made only up to July, 1920. In another month, it is estimated, 17,000 men will be approved to go into immediate training with the opening for the fall terms of the professional and technical schools of the country. The 40,000 or 50,000 men disabled in the service of the country will all be placed in training for various lines of activity and nearly all of them will have completed rehabilitation by the summer of 1923. By far the majority of the men to be rehabilitated will have finished their retraining, it is expected, within a year or two years, some of them in less than six months, and will be back on their feet in that time in professional and industrial ranks.

May Extend Work.

So far no provision has been made by Congress for rehabilitating men whose disabilities do not amount to a vocational or occupational handicap. It is said by those best informed on reconstruction legislation that congress may yet be asked to provide some means of compensatory training, as well as the compensation already paid through the war risk bureau to men who have simply suffered physical disabilities, without economic loss to them, in their country's service. To carry out such a program, it is estimated that the federal government would have to expend upwards of half a billion dollars.

Up to the present time the vocational education board has got in touch with some 153,000 men and has actually surveyed and interviewed 110,135 soldiers, sailors and marines injured in service during the war. The majority of these will not be able to obtain retraining under the act of congress as it now stands, even with recent amendments.

All of the men more than 10 per cent disabled will receive money compensation to the extent to which they are disabled, but only those whose disabilities mean a handicap to them in the occupation or vocation they followed or in ordinary lines of work can be retrained and fitted for a new trade or profession. Of those already interviewed 14,876 have been approved for training, and 7,356 of these have actually been placed in training. Several thousand additional men will have been approved by October.

According to recent figures reported to the bureau of war risk insurance by the army, 149,433 men have been discharged from service with a disability.

"Only cases showing 10 per cent disability have been reported," the report states. "At this rate it seems probable that the total number of cases of disability resulting from the war and entitled to (monetary) compensation will be close to 200,000."

\$350,000,000 Needed.

A central case board has been established in Washington to finally approve all cases sent in by the distant boards. This system, it is explained, is necessary because the board is operating under a budget system of expense from congress. This board reviews an average of 1,000 cases a day. The majority of these have to be rejected, though, if a more liberal law should be passed by congress in the future these cases would be reopened and it is supposed the majority of them would then be approved. The documents and evidence in each case are carefully preserved so that the expense of obtaining them again will be minimized.

Should a more liberal law be passed opening up possibilities for training for such a group of men it is now estimated it would take at least \$350,

000,000 to pay the support, tuition, and textbook cost alone. Further provision would have to be made for traveling expenses of the men, medical attention, and mechanical appliances and for equipment and administration of the broader law. At present the board is paying the tuition, traveling expenses, textbook cost, and other special expenses for the men it approves, in addition to paying \$100 to men with dependents and \$80 a month to men without dependents, and family allowances to the former class.

SEE SHIP WHICH ROUTED FOE SUBS

Thousands Pay to Get View of Great Britain's Mystery Craft.

DEVELOPS 23-KNOT SPEED

First of the "Hush" Craft the British Public Has Been Permitted to See at Close Range—Doughboys Inspect Ship.

London. Thousands of persons waited for hours to get a close-up view of the P-31, a British antisubmarine "mystery" ship, which was moored off Queen Victoria embankment for a two days' public inspection at the close of the official peace celebrations. The P-31 was the first of the "hush" craft the public was permitted to see at close range.

It was only ten yards from the embankment to the quaint looking U-boat fighter, but the intervening distance had to be made in small boats. These each carried eight passengers, and the fare was one shilling, so the watermen's pockets soon were bulging, but there was no complaint about "profiteering."

Doughboys Inspect Ship.

Among the curious who swarmed over the vessel were a number of American soldiers. Some of them took a peculiar interest in the guides' explanations and comment on the boat's "trick" fittings—her geared turbines, gadgets, depth-charge throwers and paravanes.

It recalled to them a night of peril through which they passed from Southampton or Winchester across the submarine and mine-infested English channel, en route to Havre or some other French port—and the war. That night of fearful expectancy passed safely, they had marvelled at the efficiency of the conveying craft which they knew had been off in the darkness somewhere, plowing through rolling breakers, eager for an encounter with its frequent aftermath of "oil and bubbles" from a vanquished undersea boat.

But as these doughboy spectators heard a member of the crew of the "hush" ship say, "She does everything but loop the loop," and saw others demonstrate parts of the ship's fighting equipment hitherto kept secret, they understood why they had been so "secure."

Twenty-three-Knot Speed.

The "P-31" is 244 feet long, with narrow beam, seven-foot draft and equipped with independent engines, fore and aft, that can speed her through heavy seas at 23 knots an hour. Built high forward and low at the stern, the vessel has somewhat the appearance of a submarine—an effect that her designers intended.

"Fritz" sometimes would think she was a 'sub' and would open fire on her—but when she slewed around in her own length and got into action Heine was sorry he had spoken," said a sailor who had been through eight engagements on the fighter. There had been other brushes with enemy craft, he explained, adding, "but unless you can bring home a bit of the corpse, the admiralty say, 'not proven.' It's no use to tell them about the 'oil and bubbles,' they're no proof, because Fritz used to release oil and bubbles to make us waste ammunition."

Necklace 3,900 Years Old Gift to His Bride

Glen Cove, L. I.—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Jackson Seaman announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Pilling, to Julian Lansing, which took place at their home on Oak Lane. The ceremony was in accordance with the custom of the Society of Friends.

The bride wore white chiffon over ivory satin, with a court train. Her decorations were a long string of Egyptian cameos dating from about 2,000 B. C., a gift of the bridegroom, and a string of pearls encrusted by diamonds, a gift of her mother.

MARKS SPOT OF YANKS' LANDING

France Lays Cornerstone of Monument at the Pointe de Grave.

WALLACE PRAISES FRENCH

President Poincare Urges Both Nations to Guard Against Estrangement—Lafayette Sailed for America From Same Port

Pointe de Grave, France.—France paid lasting tribute to America's active entry into the great war by laying the cornerstone of a monument here commemorating the landing on the spot of the first contingent of American troops in 1917. Speeches by President Poincare and Hugh C. Wallace, the American ambassador, were the features of the exercises, appropriately held on the birthday of Lafayette, who sailed for America from this same port in 1777.

The scene was a brilliant one, numerous detachments of French and American soldiers, sailors and marines assembled among the sandy dunes of the Pointe giving color to the picture. The guard of honor, for instance, was composed of United States marines, many of whom were veterans of the fighting on the Marne in 1918.

Distinguished Gathering.

In addition to Premier Clemenceau, Marshal Foch and other distinguished Frenchmen, numbers of prominent Americans assisted in the ceremony, among them Frank L. Folk, under secretary of state; Gen. Tasker H. Bliss and Brig. Gen. W. D. Connor, now commander of the American forces in France. The French representation included also Marquis de Chambrun, a descendant of Lafayette and a member of the Joffre mission to the United States in 1917; Andre Tardieu, and Deputy Maurice Damour, chairman of the committee in charge of the exercises. A band from the U. S. S. Carolina played.

A crowd of some 3,000 witnessed the ceremony.

President Poincare in his speech called to America to continue that close relationship which caused the United States to come to the aid of France.

"In the plains of Picardy, Lorraine and Champagne by the side of 1,400,000 whom the war has mown down," said he, "sleep your Americans whose mothers do not know their tombs. They all sacrificed to the same ideal the French died for. Let us bend down over these tombs and listen. It is the same voice which everywhere arises from the depths of the earth. We have suffered, they say 'in order that the world should become free.' To you now falls the duty to watch that never again may leap up this danger which we have removed. Do not allow France and America to estrange themselves one from the other. Do not draw apart those hands which are now joined. Be on your guard that there shall never be kept between you misunderstandings which sooner or later might be transformed into disagements. Tomorrow no more than yesterday can you dispense with each other. Separated you will quickly be exposed to the offensive return of violence. Side by side the peoples who have won the war will be strong enough to make such war impossible."

Praises Spirit of France.


American Ambassador Wallace said the monument would be to "victory and liberty." The speaker praised the spirit of France and said that while "many and great are the glories of France there is none that compares with the glory of the Marne." Ambassador Wallace, after having dwelt upon the part Lafayette had played in the Revolutionary war, said the United States was proud to have had the opportunity to cross the ocean in this case, and that General Pershing had the honor of serving under Marshal Foch. The ambassador said he also considered it a great honor to himself that the opportunity was given him to affirm what was the due of France, which he declared, must come out of the war with added strength and prestige, as otherwise victory would have been won in vain.

No End to That.

"I thought more than a year ago they need not quarrel any more. So they did, but they've been warring about the 'peace' terms ever since."

Some Gardener.

"I've had a very fond of his garden? Very, yes, even hired a man to take care of it for me."



MAY BE TRUTH IN LEGEND
Brother Andrew filed his resignation with the board of directors of the First National Bank of Fort Worth, Texas, on Sunday, December 13, 1919. The resignation was accepted by the board of directors on Monday, December 14, 1919. Brother Andrew was a member of the board of directors for several years and was highly respected by his fellow members. His resignation was a surprise to many of his friends and associates. He was a man of high character and integrity, and his departure from the bank was a great loss to the community. He will be missed by all who knew him.

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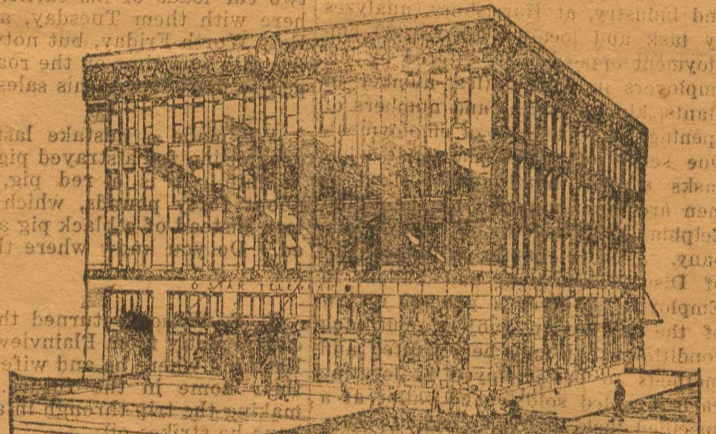
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ORDERS TAKEN AT THIS OFFICE

A. Fry, of the Cat Fish country, and J. M. Kerr, of Espuela, was in the city here trading and meeting friends, the first of the week.

Wood Cutting Prohibited On Spur Lands!

Notice is hereby given that any person who cuts wood of any kind whatever from any of our lands any where now or hereafter will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law without favor or consideration

IN Some localities in past years, the lands have been shamefully cut over, regardless of our rights, and those of purchasers of land not occupied. Many otherwise honest men, have come to think that what others have done, without a penalty resulting, they can also do, and there is an increasing disposition to appropriate wood wherever it may be found, no matter to whom it belongs. This must be stopped. We must protect the people who have already bought Spur Lands, and those who will hereafter buy them, from this wood-cutting. Some people pretend to think there is no objection to it. This is, therefore, public notice that no one has our permission to cut, saw, grub, break down or gather wood of any kind whatever from our lands anywhere, and that prosecution will certainly follow trespassers hereafter without favor.

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SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS.

W. W. Sample has the distinction of being the only man in the country who has ever killed a white swan. While out the first of the week hunt in near Spur he happened onto a flock of ten or twelve white swans, firing into them and killing one of the number. Dr. Grace was presented with the prize, and will probably have the swan mounted.

S. Faver and wife of east of Atton, were in Spur Wednesday shopping. While here recently Mr. Faver told us that he had picked very little of his cotton crop, having been devoting his time to saving his feed. However, he expected to get in his cotton patch soon.

The Jackson Realty Company, composed of Oscar and Will Jackson, has added up offices next door south of the Spur Oil Company, and where they are now doing business.

R. P. Davis was here one day this week from Dry Lake. Vernon Powell, of Dry Lake, was in Spur Saturday.

Look opposite your address on this paper and see if it is marked "1920." If not hurry up and have it so marked. We have trusted many of our readers during the past ten years, now we want them to trust us for at least one year's subscription ahead of the date. Think of this the very next time you are in town.

H. T. Garner last week purchased the Clay Smart residence in the east part of Spur, the consideration being \$2,750.00. Mr. and Mrs. Garner will soon move to their town home from the Prairie View Stock Farm two or three miles northeast of Spur.

J. C. Stephens, Jr., of Duck Creek, was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office Monday. He told us that he was now ruined because his daughter and housekeeper, Miss Hetta, had married and left him.

John Self, of Red Mud, was one of the business visitors in town this week.

J. C. Weir and Jim Walker were in town Monday.

MARRIED.
Saturday evening, November 22nd, O. T. Lott and Miss Hetta Stephens were married in Spur by Justice of the Peace F. N. Oliver. Both young people are of the Duck Creek community, the bride being the daughter of J. C. Stephens, Jr. The Texas Spur wishes Mr. and Mrs. Lott many years of happiness and much prosperity.

We received a letter from H. P. Minihan, now of Dallas, this week, enclosing two one dollar bills to extend his subscription up ahead of time. Mr. Minihan spent four or five years here drilling down about five thousand feet into the soil to see if artesian water could not be had. It may be possible that he will later be called back to do drilling for oil. He is the safest and best deep well driller we know.

Mr. McFann, of the McFann Oil & Gas Company, has been spending the week in the Eastern part of the state looking after interests in the real oil field. However, he expects soon to demonstrate that this section is also a real oil field. From all indications, those interested in the 24 Ranch test well are expecting it to "blow in" at any time.

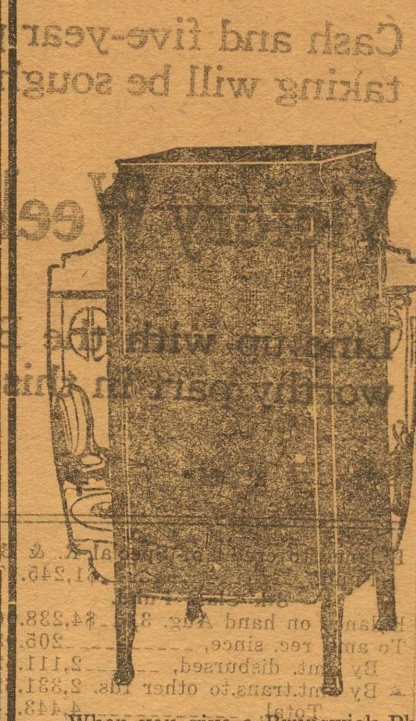
H. W. McGee, of the Spur Oil Co., has been spending several days in other parts of the country in an effort to hurry up shipment of necessary material for drilling operations on the J. C. Davis test well for oil. The necessary material has been shipped for some time, but for some reason can't get here.

The Spur school, dismissed Thursday for Thanksgiving, also for Friday. The people of the country are in deed, very thankful for peaceful, prosperous conditions which now prevail, and this is one Thanksgiving day which will be observed in the proper spirit.

E. D. Butler, of Catfish, was in the city again Monday with cotton. While the overcrowded condition at the gins, has somewhat been relieved on account of unsuitable weather for picking, yet they have had all unsold by more than they could pick.

B. Wright last week purchased the Bon Ton Restaurant of Mrs. Kennedy and now has charge of the business. Stephens Brothers also purchased the White Swan Cafe and now have charge of that business. Judge Powell came over Saturday from Dickens and spent several hours in Spur on business and greeting his friends.

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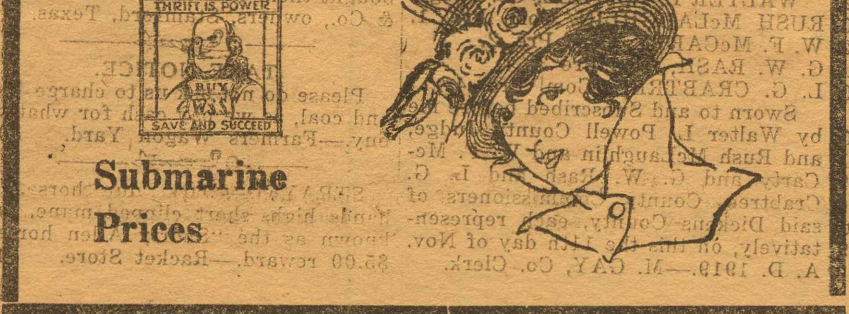
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TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT.

In The Matter of County Finances in the Hands of C. H. Perry, Treasurer of Dickens County, Texas.

Commissioners' Court Dickens County Texas, in Regular Quarterly Session November Term, 1919.

We, the Undersigned, as County Commissioners within and for said Dickens County, and the Hon. Walter L. Powell, County Judge of said Dickens County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said County, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 11th day of Nov., A. D. 1919, at a regular quarterly term of our said court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of C. H. Perry, Treasurer of Dickens County, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 3rd day of August, A. D. 1919, and ending on the 3rd day of Nov. A. D. 1919, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the commissioners' court of Dickens county, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this Court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 3rd day of Nov. A. D. 1919, and have ordered the credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 367, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897. And we, each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Dickens County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 11th day of November A. D. 1919, and find the same to be as follows, to-wit:

Jury Fund.	
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 3rd day of August, 1919,	\$2,181.21
To amount received since said date,	66.47
By amount disbursed since said date,	\$1,699.81
By amount to balance,	547.87
Total,	\$2,247.68
Balance to credit of said Jury Fund as actually counted by us on the 11th day of November A. D. 1919, and including amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 3rd day of August A. D. 1919, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since that day, making a total balance of	
	\$547.87
Road and Bridge Fund.	
Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 3rd day of August, 1919,	\$200.35
To amount received since said date,	399.60
By amount disbursed	1.99
By amount to balance	597.96
Total,	\$599.95
Balance to credit of said Road and Bridge Fund as actually counted by us on the 11th day of Nov. A. D. 1919, and including the amount balance on hand by said Treasurer at the date of the filing of his report on the 3rd day of August A. D. 1919, and the balance between receipts and disbursements since said day, making a total balance of	
	\$599.95
General Fund.	
Balance on hand Aug. 3,	\$1,476.03
To amt. rec. since said date,	264.83
By amt. disbursed since,	2,748.31
By amt. to balance,	1,007.45
Total,	\$2,748.31
Balance to credit of said General Fund as actually counted on the 11th day of Nov. 1919,	
	\$1,007.45
4th Class Fund.	
Bal. on hand Aug. 3, 1919,	\$2,344.21
To amt. rec. since said date,	5.05
By amt. disb. since said date,	703.52
By amt. to balance,	1,645.74
Total,	\$2,349.26
Balance to credit of said R. & B. Sinking Fund on 11th of Nov. \$1,645.74	
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5th Class Fund.	
Balance on hand Aug. 3,	\$2,536.40
To amt. rec. since,	2.52
By amt. disbursed,	1,407.00
By amt. to balance,	1,131.92
Total,	\$2,538.92
Balance to credit of C & J. Sinking Fund,	
	\$1,131.92
6th Class Fund.	
Balance on hand Aug 3,	\$1,969.87
To amt. received since,	1,240.89
By amt. disbursed,	1,965.59
By amt. to balance,	1,245.17
Total,	\$3,210.76



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Providing homes, sustenance and Christian training for orphan children.

Enlarging the hospitals for the healing of the sick and injured.

Providing opportunities for Christian education to all the young people of the South.

Reaching with the gospel the immigrants and other needy classes in our own land.

And, finally, sending the gospel and its institutions of healing into all parts of the world.

This is a program to challenge the enthusiasm and the co-operation of men, women and young people who love God and their fellow-man.

Cash and five-year pledges with which to carry on this undertaking will be sought during

Victory Week, November 30-December 7

Line up with the Baptist church of your community for a worthy part in this program.

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Balance to credit of Special R. & B. Fund,	\$1,245.17	By amt. to balance,	104.57	Balance to credit of:	
8th Class Fund.		Total,	104.74	1st Class Fund,	\$547.87
Balance on hand Aug. 3,	\$4,238.06	Balance to credit of said B. Sinking Fund,	\$104.57	2nd Class Fund,	597.96
To amt. rec. since,	205.08	13th Class Fund.		3rd Class Fund, o.d. 1,007.45	
By amt. disbursed,	2,111.52	Balance on hand Aug 3,	730.35	4th Class Fund,	1,645.74
By amt. trans. to other fds. 2,331.62		To amt. received since,	53.14	5th Class Fund,	1,331.92
Total,	4,443.14	By amt. disbursed,	241.35	6th Class Fund,	1,245.17
Balance to credit of said Road Fund Nov. 11th, 1919,	\$2,331.62	By amt. to balance,	542.14	7th Class Fund,	1,233.99
9th Class Fund.		Balance to credit of said State Highway Fund,	542.14	8th Class Fund,	2,331.62
Balance on hand Aug 3,	\$1,084.69	14th Class Fund.		9th Class Fund,	1,084.69
By amt. to balance,	1,084.69	Balance on hand Aug 3,	69.19	10th Class Fund,	13,686.94
Total,	\$1,084.69	To amt. rec. since,	4,000.00	11th Class Fund,	604.57
Balance to credit of said C. & J. Fund Nov. 11th, 1919,	\$1,084.69	To amt. trans. from othr fds. 330.82		12th Class Fund,	104.57
10th Class Fund.		By amt. disbursed,	4,277.19	13th Class Fund,	542.14
Balance on hand Aug 3,	\$405.50	By amt. to balance,	122.82	14th Class Fund,	122.82
To amt. rec. since,	2.52	Total,	4,400.01	15th Class Fund,	25.20
By amt. disbursed since,	351.76	Balance to credit of said Road Bond Fund,	\$122.82	Total cash on hand belonging to Dickens County, in the hand of said C. H. Perry, Treasurer, actually counted by us,	\$24,356.87
By amt. to balance,	56.26	15th Class Fund.		Witness Our Hands, officially, this 11th day of November, A. D. 1919.	
Total,	\$408.02	Balance on hand, Aug 3,	25.32	WALTER L. POWELL, Co. Judge.	
Balance to credit of said J. Spec. Fund,	\$56.26	By amt. disbursed,	12	RUSH McLAUGHLIN, Com. Pre. 1.	
11th Class Fund.		By amt. to balance,	25.20	W. F. McCARTY, Com. Pre. 2.	
Balance on hand Aug 3,	\$14,017.76	Total,	25.32	G. W. RASH, Com Pre 3	
By amt. trans. to ather funds, 330.82		Balance to credit of said Court H. Imp. Fund,	25.20	L. G. CRABTREE, Coml Pre. 4.	
By amt. to balance,	13,686.94	7th Class Fund.		Sworn to and Subscribed before me by Walter L. Powell County Judge, and Rush McLaughlin and W. F. McCarty and G. W. Rash and L. G. Crabtree, County Commissioners of said Dickens County, each representatively, on this the 11th day of Nov. A. D. 1919.—M. GAY, Co. Clerk.	
Total,	\$13,686.94	Balance on hand, Aug 3,	\$1,240.60		
Balance to credit of said Special Fund Nov. 11th,	\$13,686.94	By amt. disbursed,	6.61		
12th Class Fund.		By amt. to balance,	1,233.99		
Balance on hand Aug 3,	69.30	Total,	1,240.60		
To amt. rec. since,	35.44	Balance to credit of said Road Dist. No. 1 Fund,	\$1,233.99		
By amt. disbursed,	17	Recapitulation.			

COUNTY FINANCES.

For some time I have felt a growing desire to make a report upon the above vital question, and to mark out my stand on same.

As I see it, we are rapidly approaching a crisis in our financial system. In fact we have already arrived on the border: As some of our funds have already passed into the red where we are to remain for two and a half months at best.

Our valuations for the incoming year are some less than for the one just going out. How shall this deficit be met?

There are three ways:

Raise of valuation, raise of levy, or economy and a curtailment of expenditure.

One or all of these will bring the desired relief. I place stress on the latter.

As to the levy route, I understand that to be closed, as the limit is reached or nearly so.

The first should never be used, save as necessity demands, and the latter should always be used to its full power.

The demands for more revenue will and must increase as the years go by, and as the country develops—unless the wealth of the country keeps pace with development—one or all the above means must be used to keep afloat.

I now lay down the proposition that no loyal, upright citizen objects to paying a reasonable, normal and healthy tax. In fact he should be proud to do that. Should taxes become inflated through waste, extravagance, mismanagement or graft, then the taxpayer has room to complain.

My second proposition is that no deficit or debt can be satisfied or liquidated by creating more and larger debts. Hence, we must hold our credit until our earning power overtakes our debts, or increase our earning power.

Personal.

To my constituents: I maintain that I must serve every part of the county alike and every citizen alike, but I must answer to you for my success or failure.

Now, I am proud of the place and honor that you have given me, and the trust you have confided to me.

But I believe I am a failure and likely to remain so, hence I am ready to surrender my trust back to you on least notice, should you decide with me. But I want my principles, if right, to live in your breast, though I may never be able to carry them out.

I am proud of my county and hunger to see her prosper. That has been the main incentive that has held me to my post. I am not afraid of taxes when they come about in a normal and just way. But taxes can be made a burden and to breed dishonesty in our citizenship.

I beg pardon for what I shall now record. This article is hard to write to give the public my meaning:

29 years ago, the 28th day of August, I drove my stakes in Dickens county. Over half the time since then I have been a public servant. Some 23 or 24 years ago I filled the same position I do now. Men were speculating on Dickens county scrip, and what I am trying to tell you, it's coming again unless we change our policy, and I feel it my duty to tell you. By pulling together we soon launched the old craft out of debt, and I have helped to pilot her along a great deal of the time since.

Now, as I am serving the public, perhaps for the last time, I don't want to retire in disgrace.

This article is for criticism but not controversy. I want to find out my faults and remedy them. I can learn and I can be wrong and I can be right. Help me on or help me out.

Your humble servant,

L. G. CRABTREE.

AUCTION SALE OF FINE MULES.

On account of bad weather the mules did not arrive as advertised for Bill Hyatt's barn, but they will be in Spur Saturday and will be auctioned off to the highest bidders. If you want a good team, come and take your choice at your bid, not our price.

These mules will be cheaper by \$25 per span than anybody else's. We bought them that way.—W. G. Bruce & Co., owners, Stamford, Texas.

TAKE NOTICE.

Please do not ask us to charge feed and coal, as we pay cash for what we buy.—Farmers Wagon Yard. 50tf

STRAYED—Dark, dun horse, 12 hands high, short clipped mane, and known as the "Shorty Allen horse." \$5.00 reward.—Racket Store. 4tf